Liberalisation of New Industrial policy

4479. SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:
SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have held discussions with various trade union leaders in the country on the question of effects of liberalisation of new industrial policy;

(b) whether the Government have ascertained the details and concrete effects of the changed policy on existing industry under public sector on the question of employment generation programme of the Government; and

(c) if so, the facts thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF.P.J. KURIEN): (a) to (c). Union Finance Minister had a meeting with Trade Union leaders on 17-8-1991 in which the new Industrial Policy was discussed. The Government in Ministry of Labour has recently constituted a special Tripartite Committee consisting of representatives of Central Trade Union Organisations, employers' organisation and Central Government Departments to consider the impact of the new industrial policy on the problems affecting labour and other related matters and to make appropriate recommendations.

[*Translation*]

New Sugar Mills

4480. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA:
SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI:

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications received by the Government for setting up new sugar mills and for the expansion of the mills, separately;

(b) the time by which these applications are likely to be approved as per the new guidelines laid down in this regard; and

(c) the number of applications from Gujarat for setting up new sugar mills and for expansion pending with the Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) As on 30.9.1991, 642 applications have been received by the Ministry of FOOD for setting up of new sugar factories and 53 applications for expansion of capacity in the existing sugar factories.

(b) The Screening Committee will be holding its meetings from time to time to scrutinise the pending applications.

(c) As on 30.9.1991, 10 applications were pending for grant of Industrial Licences for setting up of new sugar mills and 2 for expansion in the existing sugar factories in the state of Gujarat.

[*English*]

Shortage of Pesticides

4481 SHRI RAJNATH SONKAR SHASTRI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been shortage of pesticides in the country for a long time;

(b) of so, the reasons thereof;

(c) the steps taken to meet the shortage